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SUBJ: " ZAVIDOV O LEAK " TRIALS TO BEGIN MAY 18

REF: HELSINKI 1058; HELSINKI USINFO 1061

BEGIN SUMMARY. TRIAL DATE FOR TWO OF THREE ACCUSED IN ZAVIDOV O LEAK CASE HAS BEEN SET FOR MAY 18. PRESIDENT KEKKONEN HAS NOT YET ACTED OR SPOKEN PUBLICALLY ON THE RESULTS OF THE INVESTIGATION. PUBLIC DEBATE IS INTENSE AND FULL RAMIFICATIONS OF THE CASE REMAIN TO BE DISCLOSED. SOCIAL DEMOCRATS ARE TRYING TO MINIMIZE EFFECTS ON THEIR PARTY BY CALLING FOR INVESTIGATION TO CONTINUE UNTIL " REAL CULPRIT " IS FOUND. END SUMMARY.

1. THE GOVERNMENT ' S PLANNED INDICTMENT OF THREE HIGH OFFICIALS FOR UNAUTHORIZED DISCLOSURE OF THE CONTENTS OF THE SECRET MEMCON ON THE KEKKONEN- BREZHNEV MEETING LAST AUGUST AT ZAVIDOV O NEAR MOSCOW HAS CONTINUED TO BE THE MAJOR TOPIC OF PRESS AND PRIVATE SPECULATION SINCE ITS ANNOUNCEMENT ON APRIL 19. A RECURRENT THEME IN THE MAY 1 SPEECHES OF SOCIAL DEMOCRATIC PARTY LEADERS

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ALL OVER THE COUNTRY, WAS FOR THE INVESTIGATION TO BE PURSUED
" TO THE VERY BOTTOM" UNTIL THE REAL CULPRIT IS FOUND. MEANWHILE,
MAY 18 HAS NOW BEEN SET FOR THE BEGINNING OF THE TRIAL OF TWO OF
THE ACCUSED OFFICIALS, PRESIDENT KEKKONEN'S CHANCERY CHIEF ANTERO
JYRANKI AND
SOCIAL WELFARE PROPOSALS BEFORE RIKSDAG WILL, IF ADOPTED, ADD
SUBSTANTIALLY TO OVERALL WAGE BILL, THEREBY WHIP-SAWING EMPLOYER
BETWEEN LEGISLATED AND NEGOTIATED WORKER BENEFITS.

5. FOR FINANCIAL AND OTHER REASONS, EMBASSY DOES NOT PLAN TO
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